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PRINTING EXHIBITS ON DISPLAY AT UM JAN. 30-FEB. 20

MISSOULA--

Paper kimonos and a collection of fine art prints will be displayed at The University of Montana Jan. 30 through Feb. 20 as part of a new exhibit on printing.

The two exhibits, "MATRIX Press: Selections from the UM Department of Art Print Collection" and "Vickie Meguire: Essence of Pattern," will be in UM's Gallery of Visual Arts on the first floor of the Social Science Building. An artist reception is scheduled from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, in the gallery. The reception, as well as the exhibits, are free and open to the public.

UM art Professor James Bailey founded MATRIX Press in 1998 to develop, promote and provide education about printmaking and fine art prints. To achieve this mission, MATRIX Press brought nationally and internationally known artists to produce limited edition prints in collaboration with UM students and printmaking faculty members.

The MATRIX Press exhibit features collaborative works by Tony Fitzpatrick, Richard Mock, Miriam Schapiro, Peter von Tiesenhausen, Antonia Contro, Mary Farrell, Jerald Krepps and Lawrence Anderson.

Artist Vickie Meguire uses a computer to create the life-size kimonos in her "Essence of Pattern" exhibit. The kimonos, created for implied, rather than actual bodies, have layered

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textures and images that mirror the effects of textile weaving. Her exhibit is sponsored by the Montana Art Gallery Director's Association and is supported in part by grants from the Montana Arts Council, Coal Tax Trust Fund for Cultural and Aesthetic Projects and the National Endowment for the Arts.

The Gallery of Visual Arts is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

For more information, call Cathryn Mallory at 243-2813.

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